

Wilton Conservation Commission

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MEETING MONDAY June 8, 2015– 7:00 PM MINUTES APPROVED 7/13 w/attachment

Wilton Conservation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 8, 2015, at the Town Hall. Present were Commissioners Bart Hunter (Chairman), Jeff Stone, Spencer Brookes, Les Tallarico, Joe Broyles, Bill Mahar and Alan Preston; clerk Joanna K Eckstrom. The following agenda was observed:

1. Call to order - Bart called the meeting to order at 7PM

2. Old Business:

Minutes Review May 11, 2015 Bart noted corrections to the minutes – line 18 beginning at “are within ¼ mile.” - next sentence to end of paragraph corrected to read “The pipeline does not pass through Wilton land however, a map shows conservation properties near the southern boundary of town that are beyond the ¼ mile minimum distance of the pipeline. The maps are being updated (by NRPC and WCC) – ownership and easement types are being clarified.”

Line 24, correct spelling of *parcels*.

On a motion by Bill, seconded by Spencer, the corrected minutes were unanimously approved.

Budget & Expenditures:

Review / Address corrections to Budget - no update available. Commission will deal with advertising line item when / if a need comes up.

3. Ongoing Business:

Frog Pond – Beaver dams – Jeff reported on recent beaver damming at Frog Pond; there has been some rebuilding but not enough to affect the spillway at this time. During Jeff’s absence, Bart and Alan checked site; activity seems to have halted. They’ll go back if water starts coming under Maple Street. Alan visited during a recent rain, clear out the muck, sticks and water flowed. He will call conservation officer, Mr Paro, if beaver persists. As it’s town owner property, Town would have to hire someone to control the problem.

Jeff also noted that there were tire and ATV tracks near Mark Gabel’s to the edge of the pond. Clean up of Gabel’s is ongoing.

ZBA: no recent meetings; nothing to report.

Planning Board: Lot F-2 – approved is 6 lots, one of which (the largest) may need special attention vis a vis Corridor 13 and other considerations. Commission will keep on top of this as needed.

Also the Provost property (subdivision of land that is bounded by Wilton and Lyndeborough) had a change of plans. Subdivision into 5 large lots instead of the originally planned 10 lots.

Forest Management and Timber Intents – Bill provided an updated tracking sheet for intents for 2015. There was a question about activity along No River Rd (Milford). It is thought that this is a normal logging operation on the Cleaves property.

Shattuck: Per Bart, there is no resolution yet.

Wildlife Sightings: Bart – osprey in the new reservoir; Joe – grey fox; Les – deer carcass on Rte 101 and skeleton near pond on his property; Alan – turkey vultures near river; Bart – golden eagle near Temple. At the present time, info on wildlife sightings is recorded and kept in the minutes for historical reference. No immediate plans to distribute more broadly.

Update on Conservation Plan— per Bart, properties being identified and progress is being made. He said conservation commission is only assisting selectmen with current use land. Commission has no authority in this.

43 **New Business:**

44 **New e-mail addresses via town website** on a motion by Joe, seconded by Jeff, Jeff was given the ok to publish the
45 town's WCC e-mail address for consumers to contact the commission (instead of having to contact conservation
46 commissioners via individual addresses). Jeff will monitor for now but eventually, the town address will automatically
47 forward incoming mail to each commissioner. For now, minutes, etc will be distributed individually. Note, when
48 responding to minutes, etc, please click 'reply to all'

49 **Proposed Action Plan for the WCC for 2015** a work session needs to be planned for this. In the meantime, Bart
50 asked commissioners for ideas about more collaboration with other town entities as well as private groups or individuals.
51 Joanna mentioned that the Wilton Community Center is looking for ways to collaborate – this can be via talks, walks, etc.

52 **Sorlac** – Spencer and Bill referenced an article in the Telegraph; expect more info / activity in July

53 **Dog Waste Letter** – Jeff has revised dog waste letter; he was asked to send to Selectmen as is and ask whether
54 there is an RSA or town ordinance that applies and, if not, how does one get an ordinance in place and enforced.

55 **Next Meeting: Monday, July 13, 2015**

56 There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM.

57 Respectfully,

58 Joanna K Eckstrom, Clerk